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MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, June 14, 2017 8:15 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Barrett, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Chair Barrett read in a letter from Speaker Leonard to Clerk Gary Randall dated June 6, 2017 appointing Representative Brinks to the Committee on Agriculture.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Barrett, Alexander, Lauwers, Howell, Albert, Calley, Frederick, Elder, Brinks, Sabo, Sneller.

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Phelps.

Representative Elder made a motion to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on May 24, 2017. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Representative Elder made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4438 (Barrett) Environmental protection; sewage; exemption from domestic septage law; provide for portable toilets for farm laborers.

Representative Elder offered the following amendment to HB 4438.

1. Amend page 7, line 9, after "**DEVELOPMENT**" by striking out "**MAY**" and inserting "**SHALL**".

Representative Elder made a motion to amend HB 4438.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Barrett, Lauwers, Howell, Albert, Calley, Frederick, Elder, Brinks, Sabo, Sneller. (10/12)

Nays: Representative Alexander. (1/12)

Pass: None. (0/12) (10/1/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Alexander made a motion to report HB 4438 as amended.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Barrett, Alexander, Lauwers, Howell, Albert, Calley, Elder, Brinks, Sabo, Sneller. (10/12)

Nays: Representative Frederick. (1/12)

Pass: None. (0/12) (10/1/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Cards indicating opposition to HB 4438 were submitted by:

Ralph Bailey, representing MSTA

Tim Zimmnicki and Sean Hammond, representing the Michigan Environmental Council

Matt Smego, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau, submitted a card indicating support for HB 4438.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Barrett declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 8:20 a.m.

Representative Tom Barrett, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538